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2. ☑ The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-20</u> .			
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Allen Hertz on April 1, 2004.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 10 (patented claim 10),

Line 4, after "an ellipse,", "whereby a section of the plumbing valve cover that is positioned underside of a sink supply line valve causes the flexible spray hose to reposition towards the front of the sink supply line valve as the flexible spray hose is pulled upwards;" has been inserted.

Reasons for Allowance

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: none of the prior art alone or in combination teaches a plumbing valve cover comprising an apparatus designed in a shape to be positioned proximately the underside of sink supply line valve, whereby a section of the apparatus which is positioned to the underside of the sink supply line valve causes a flexible spray hose to reposition toward the front of the sink supply line valve as the flexible spray hose is pulled upward; and a member for securing the cover to the supply line valve.

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4. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Huyen Le whose telephone number is 703-306-5504. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gregory Huson can be reached on 703-308-2580. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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